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Office of the President
October 20, 2017

Members, Board of Trustees:

PLEDGE FROM PAUL W. AND DEBORAH COLE CHELLGREN

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a pledge of \$3,534,000 (which includes \$1,166,800 in payments received) from Paul W. and Deborah Cole Chellgren to support the Chellgren Center for Undergraduate Excellence at the University of Kentucky.

Background: Paul W. Chellgren, a native of Ashland, Kentucky, is a 1964 graduate of the University's then-College of Commerce. He earned a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University and a Diploma in Developmental Economics from Oxford University. Mr. Chellgren is the former Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Ashland, Inc., and currently is an operating partner at private equity firm Snow Phipps. Mr. Chellgren is a former member of the University of Kentucky Board Of Trustees, serving from 1992 to 2003. The Chellgrens are generous supporters of the University, with a total philanthropic impact, including this current pledge, of over \$18,000,000.

Through previous gifts, Mr. Chellgren established the Chellgren Center to advance undergraduate excellence through student achievement, innovations in teaching, and collaboration among the University's most prestigious undergraduate programs.

This pledge includes \$1,250,000 to launch the "Chellgren Initiative," a new programmatic effort to provide extraordinary learning opportunities for students in the Chellgren Center. These opportunities include educational travel, internships at non-profit organizations, summer research fellowships, and on-campus workshops and seminars. In addition, \$2,284,000 will be used to fund a life insurance policy with a guaranteed \$8,500,000 death benefit payable to the University. The life insurance proceeds will be used to create an endowment to support the programmatic needs of the Chellgren Center. The total impact of this gift, including the \$8,500,000 expectancy, is over \$12,000,000.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____